

Below is an update on the Iowa Health and Wellness Plan and Health Insurance Marketplace:

<u>Iowa Health and Wellness Plan</u>

Announcement of Public Comment Period: This notice provides details about the Department of Human Services' (DHS) request to extend the waiver of non-emergency medical transportation (NEMT) services in the Iowa Health and Wellness Plan. The 30-day public comment period will close on October 13, at 4:30 p.m. See the <u>full public notice</u> for more information and <u>read the draft waiver amendment</u>. Find supporting attachments on the <u>lowa</u> Health and Wellness Plan Federal Documents page.

August Iowa Health and Wellness Plan Enrollment Maps Released: The county-based enrollment maps for the Iowa Health and Wellness Plan have been updated to reflect enrollment through the end of August 2014. <u>Access the updated maps here</u>.

Reminder- Iowa Wellness Plan Benefits Coverage List Available: A new list of covered benefits for the Iowa Wellness Plan is now available for providers. The <u>Iowa Wellness Plan Benefits Coverage List</u> of covered benefits and excluded codes is arranged by category of service.

Health Insurance Marketplace

HHS Announces Navigator Grant Awardees: On Monday, September 8, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) announced \$60 million had been awarded to 90 organizations in states with federally-facilitated and state partnership Marketplaces for the consumer assistance Navigator program. Three organizations in Iowa received grants that will run through September 7, 2015.

- Visiting Nurse Services of Iowa: \$282,007 anticipated grant amount
- Planned Parenthood of the Heartland: \$218,940 anticipated grant amount
- R&B Receivables Managed Corporation: \$91,754 anticipated grant amount

Read the full announcement here and access more information on the grant awardees.

CMS Finalizes Auto-Enrollment Process for Current Marketplace Consumers: The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) finalized a policy that provides current Health Insurance Marketplace consumers with a simple way to keep their current health insurance plan. This policy encourages current marketplace consumers to return to the Marketplace to ensure they are getting the best deal on their premiums and to shop for the plan that best fits their needs.

- The CMS fact sheet is available here
- The final rule is available here

• The final issuer notices guidance will be posted here

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